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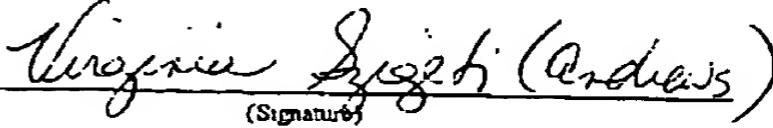
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SERIAL NUMBER: 09/253,245	FILING DATE: February 2, 1999	EXAMINER: E. Cole	GROUP ART UNIT: 1771			
INVENTION: FLEXIBLE FABRIC FROM FIBROUS WEB AND DISCONTINUOUS DOMAIN MATRIX						
INVENTOR(s): GARY A. HARPELL ET AL.						
TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS: Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.						
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For: **FLEXIBLE FABRIC FROM FIBROUS WEB AND DISCONTINUOUS DOMAIN MATRIX**

Colonial Heights, VA 23834  
October 21, 2002

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

In response to the Office Action mailed August 2, 2002, please amend the above identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please enter new claims 24 and 25 as follows:

*Rule 126* 27 28  
24. A composite comprising multiple layers of fibrous webs; wherein each fibrous web is comprised of a plurality of filaments; and a plurality of matrix islands, each of said matrix islands having an average size of less than 5 mm in a planar dimension and connecting at least two filaments so as to hold the plurality of filaments in a unitary structure; and wherein the final volume ratio of matrix islands to the plurality of filaments in the composite is approximately 0.5 or less.

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25. The composite of claim 24 having improved ballistic effectiveness compared to a composite having a continuous polymeric matrix.

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